



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of the 18th Annual Children and Youth Month

WHEREAS, Children and Youth Month was established in 1994 by the Hawai'i State Legislature to recognize the contributions of our local children and youth to our communities and to celebrate their talents and ideas; and

WHEREAS, Children and Youth Month expresses the people of the Aloha State's love and care for our local children and youth and emphasizes the importance of having them in our lives; and

WHEREAS, Children and Youth Month provides the support and education desirable to progress our youth to become future leaders of our State; and

WHEREAS, Children and Youth Month recognizes the special individuals and organizations, who have demonstrated unwavering commitment and support to our *keiki* and *'opio*; and

WHEREAS, Children and Youth Month will celebrate Children and Youth Day, its first major event on October 2, 2011 at the Hawai'i State Capitol; over 300 exhibitors and community organizations will be participating at this event providing Hawai'i's families with a day of free interactive, educational and fun activities; and

WHEREAS, Children and Youth Month will be hosting events and activities throughout the month of October, 2011 including:

- Friday-Saturday, October 7-8, 2011 (23rd Annual Talk Story Festival);
- Saturday, October 8, 2011 (Hawaii State Art Museum);
- Sunday, October 9, 2011 (4th Annual Adopt-a-School Day);
- Thursday, October 13, 2011 (18th Annual Children and Youth Summit);
- Saturday, October 15, 2011 (Clean Energy Fair);
- Saturday-Sunday, October 22-30, 2011 (United Nations Day Celebrations);
- Sunday, October 23, 2011 (Kids Fest);
- Monday, October 31, 2011 (Safe Trick or Treating);

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2011 as

"CHILDREN AND YOUTH MONTH"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to support the 18th Annual Children and Youth Month and its goals of recognizing the contributions of our local children and youth.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this thirtieth day of September, 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i